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- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
 Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is missing.
 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The application was filed in a language other than English. Applicant is required to provide an English translation of the specification and a statement that the translation is accurate. (See 37 CFR 1.52(d)).
- Applicant must file an English translation of the application, the \$ 130 fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i), unless previously submitted, and a statement that the translation is accurate (37 CFR 1.52(d)).
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The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

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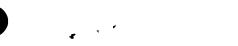


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OF APPLICATION

For: INVENTORY ALLOCATION MANAGEMENT

METHOD AND INVENTORY ALLOCATION

MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

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Dear Sir:

In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application, Filing Date Granted," dated May 31, 2001, response to which was due July 31, 2001, enclosed are the following:

A copy of the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted."

A "Declaration and Power of Attorney" executed by the inventor(s).

A check in the amount of \$130 to cover the surcharge for late filing of English language specification

A "Petition for Extension of Time" for one month(s) and a check for the required fee in the amount of \$110.

A check in the amount of \$1366.00 in payment of the filing fee.

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A check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the surcharge for late filing of the Declaration.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment to our Deposit Account No. 50-1314. A copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted, Date: August 27, 2001

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